

## **R277. Education, Administration.**

### **R277-99. Definitions for Utah State Board of Education (Board) Rules.**

#### **R277-99-1. Authority and Purpose.**

(1) This rule is authorized by Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3, which vests general control and supervision of public education in the Board and by Subsection 53A-1-401(3) which permits the Board to adopt rules in accordance with its responsibilities.

(2) The purpose of this rule is to provide definitions that are used in the Board rules beginning with R277.

#### **R277-99-2. Definitions.**

(1) "Accreditation" means the formal process for internal and external review and approval under the standards of an accrediting entity adopted by the Board.

(2) "Audit" means an independent appraisal activity established by the Board as a control system to examine and evaluate the adequacy and effectiveness of internal control systems within an agency.

(3) "Board" means the State Board of Education.

(4) "Charter school" means a school established as a charter school by a charter school authorizer under Title 53A, Chapter 1a, Part 5, The Utah Charter Schools Act, and rule.

(5) "District school" means a public school under the control of a local school board elected under Title 20A, Chapter 14, Nomination and Election of State and Local School Boards.

(6) "Educator" means an individual licensed under Section 53A-6-104 and who meets the requirements of R277-501.

(7) "Individualized education program" or "IEP" means a written statement for a student with a disability that is developed, reviewed, and revised in accordance with Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1400 (2004), and rule.

(8) "Individuals with Disabilities Education Act" or "IDEA," 20 U.S.C. Section 1400 et seq. (2004), is a four part (A-D) piece of federal legislation that ensures a student with a disability is provided with a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) that is tailored to the student's individual needs.

(9)(a) "LEA" or "local education agency" means a school district or charter school.

(b) For purposes of certain rules, "LEA" or "local education agency" may include the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind (USDB) if indicated in the specific rule.

(10)(a) "LEA governing board" means:

(i) for a school district, a local school board; and

(ii) for a charter school, a charter school governing board.

(b) For purposes of certain rules, "LEA governing board" may include the State Board of Education as the governing board for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind if indicated in the specific rule.

(11) "Parent" means a parent or guardian who has established residency of a child under Sections 53A-2-201, 53A-2-202, or 53A-2-207 or another applicable Utah guardianship provision.

(12) "SEOP/Plan for College and Career Readiness" means a student education occupation plan for college and career readiness that is a developmentally organized intervention process that includes:

- (a) a written plan, updated annually, for a secondary student's (grades 7-12) education and occupational preparation;
  - (b) all Board, local board and local charter board graduation requirements;
  - (c) evidence of parent or guardian, student, and school representative involvement annually;
  - (d) attainment of approved workplace skill competencies, including job placement when appropriate; and
  - (e) identification of post secondary goals and approved sequence of courses.
- (13) "State Charter School Board" or "SCSB" means the State Charter School Board created in Section 53A-1a-501.5.
- (14) "Superintendent" mean the State Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee.
- (15) "USDB" means the Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind.
- (16) "USOE" means the Utah State Office of Education.
- (17) "USOR" means the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation.

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**Authorizing, Implemented, or Interpreted Law: Art X Sec 3; 53A-1-401(3)**